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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING GROUP 1773

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

Hirøyuki OHMORI

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Filed: March 26, 2001

For: MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIUM AND

MAIFACTURING METHOD THEREOF

Group Art Unit: 1773

Examiner: N. Uhlir

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION (37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.116)

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODÚCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated May 30, 2003 (Paper No. 4), finally rejecting claims 1 and 3-16, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

ABSTRACT

There are no amendments to the abstract.

X Marked up replacement(s) paragraphs are presented in a separate section.

CLAIMS

There are no amendments to the claims.

X A complete listing of all claims ever present in this case in ascending order with status identifier is presented in a separate section.